

Revised: August 13, 2021

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
THIRD MEETING
of the
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

**August 18, 2021
Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine
Las Cruces**

**August 19-20, 2021
New Mexico State University Golf Course
Las Cruces**

Wednesday, August 18 — Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine

- 10:00 a.m. **Call to Order**
 —Senator Carrie Hamblen, Chair
- 10:15 a.m. (1) **[The Economic Impact to New Mexico of the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine](#)**
 —John Hummer, Co-Founder and President, Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine
- 11:30 a.m. (2) **[Strategic Plan for the City of Las Cruces Economic Development Department](#)**
 —Ifo Pili, City Manager, City of Las Cruces
 —Elizabeth Teeters, Business Development Administrator/Economic Development, City of Las Cruces
- 12:45 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. (3) **[Access to Healthy Food](#)**
 —V. Quevedo, Policy Director, La Semilla Food Center
 —Yvonne Diaz, Founder/Farmer, De Colores Farms and Foods
 —Mario Holguin, Farm Fresh Program Manager, La Semilla Food Center
 —Dr. Anita G. Rodriguez, Founder/Farmer, Utopia Valley LLC
- 2:30 p.m. (4) **[Transforming New Mexico's Food System: Challenges, Opportunities and a Pathway Forward](#)**
 —Alma Maquitico, Trainer and Manager, Anthony Youth Farm
- 3:30 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 4:00 p.m. **Recess**

Thursday, August 19 — New Mexico State University Golf Course

- 9:00 a.m. **Reconvene**
—Senator Carrie Hamblen, Chair
- 9:15 a.m. (5) **[Job Training Programs at Community Colleges in New Mexico](#)**
—Dr. Monica Torres, President, Doña Ana Community College
- 10:15 a.m. (6) **[ReadyNM](#)**
—Patricia Trujillo, Deputy Secretary, Higher Education Department (HED)
—Stephanie Montoya, Public Information Officer, HED
- 11:15 a.m. (7) **[Arrowhead Center's Entrepreneurship Program and Assisting in Business Startup](#)**
—Kathryn Hansen, Director, Arrowhead Center, New Mexico State University
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. (8) **[Update from the Workforce Solutions Department \(WSD\)](#)**
—Tracey Bryan, Chair, State Workforce Development Board
—Ricky Serna, Acting Secretary, WSD
—Yolanda Montoya-Cordova, Deputy Secretary, WSD
- 2:45 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 3:15 p.m. **Recess**

Friday, August 20 — New Mexico State University Golf Course

- 10:00 a.m. **Reconvene**
- 10:15 a.m. (9) **[Strategic Plan for Albuquerque Economic Development](#)**
—Brent Moore, Shareholder, Montgomery and Andrews
- 11:15 a.m. (10) **[The Effects of Small Loans and Improving Access to Financial Resources](#)**
—Ahtza Dawn Chavez, Executive Director, NAVA Education Project (Invited)
—Austin Weahkee, Political Director, NAVA Education Project (Invited)
—Diane Sandoval-Griego, Chief of Financial Empowerment, Outreach and Marketing, Guadalupe Credit Union
- 12:15 p.m. (11) **[Refinancing Small Loans at Affordable Interest Rates](#)**
—Lindsay Cutler, Attorney, New Mexico Center on Law and Poverty
- 1:15 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 1:45 p.m. **Adjourn**